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FOR INTERNATIONAL WHEAT COUNCIL DELEGATION

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SUBJ: WORLD FOOD COUNCIL CONCLUDES THIRD SESSION

1. THE WORLD FOOD COUNCIL (WFC) REACHED CONSENSUS ON COMMUNIQUE MIDDAY JUNE 24 AND CONCLUDED ITS WORK IN A CONCILIATORY SPIRIT. COMMUNIQUE, WHICH FOLLOWS RELATIVELY CLOSELY THE SECRETARIAT'S DRAFT, BEING REPORTED SEPTEL. THE MAJOR FEATURES OF THE MEETING WERE:

(A) THE ISOLATION, AND SUBSEQUENT SOFTENING, OF THE EEC ON THE ISSUE OF TRADE, FOOD AID AND FOOD SECURITY.

(B) THE ACKNOWLEDGED CONSTRUCTIVE ROLE OF THE US DELEGATION.

(C) THE DECISION OF THE G-77 NOT TO OPERATE AS A BLOC (PERHAPS PROMPTED BY THE FAILURE OF THEIR TACTICS IN THE PREPCOM) AND TO ACCOMMODATE SOME DC POSITIONS.

(D) THE ACQUIESCENCE OF THE SOVIETS IN A COMMUNIQUE THAT IS OPENLY LINKED TO CIEC (WHILE THE SOVIETS SUBSEQUENTLY "EXPLAINED" THEIR POSITION FOR THE RECORD THEY MADE NO UNCLASSIFIED

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RESERVATIONS).

2. THE WFC THUS HAS SURVIVED THE ACKNOWLEDGED THREAT TO ITS EXISTENCE THAT WOULD HAVE FOLLOWED A CONTENTIOUS SESSION. IT HAS SERVED OUR PRIMARY PURPOSE OF EMPHASIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF A POVERTY-FOCUSED DEVELOPMENT EFFORT. IT MAY ALSO HAVE OFFERED US A FORUM FOR FOLLOW UP OF SOME NORTH-

SOUTH ISSUES. IN ANY EVENT, IT IS PROBABLE THAT THE WFC
UNDER ITS NEW LEADERSHIP WILL ASSUME A MORE ACTIVE ROLE IN
INTERNATIONAL FOOD ISSUES.
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